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UNITED STATES SENATE
* YOUTH PROGRAM *
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51st Annual United States Senate Youth Program CALENDAR

September – 2012

- 10th RIDE will send brochure, application, and a letter from Commissioner Gist to superintendents, principals, guidance chairs announcing the program. All public and nonpublic schools that have students in grades 11 & 12 will receive this mailing.
- 17th School USSYP coordinator (test administrator) name due to Dana Wilson at Dana.Wilson@ride.ri.gov.
- 27th Tests will be sent to school coordinators; the test will be available for students to take electronically.

October – 2012

- 12th School USSYP coordinator will administer qualifying exams anytime between September 28-October 12. Exams and student-participation forms are to be returned to Dana Wilson, at Dana.Wilson@ride.ri.gov, **no later than 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 12, 2012.**
- 19th RIDE will notify school coordinators of the names of students (top 10%) who qualify to submit the essay.
- 22nd School coordinators will receive, via e-mail, the essay question and instructions for administering the essay portion of the test. Students will be required to use a computer to write the essay.
- 22nd-26th School coordinators will administer the essay portion of the test at their schools. At the conclusion, each school coordinator will e-mail students' essays to Dana.Wilson@ride.ri.gov **no later than 6:00p.m. on Friday, October 26, 2012.**
- 29th –11/09 RIDE will review essays and select finalists for interviews.

NOVEMBER – 2012

- 12 – 16 Student interviews will take place at RIDE.
- 26 RIDE will select 2 delegates and 2 alternates and notify USSYP.

For more information please go to <http://www.ride.ri.gov/instruction/civics.aspx>